

December 1, 1980

Re: Grant #1362

Norman I. Krinsky, Ph.D.  
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Dear Dr. Krinsky:

We have your letter of November 21 requesting a contribution toward support of the Gordon Research Conference on "Oxygen Radicals in Biology and Medicine" to be held at the Holiday Inn in Ventura, California, January 12-16, 1981.

Because of the broad scope of The Council's scientific interests, we have innumerable opportunities to help support interesting and meritorious congresses and symposia. However, we understand our primary mission to be support of laboratory and clinical research along certain specific lines. Hence Council policy sharply restricts contributions for meetings and conferences to the very special cases where there is exceptionally high relevance to our present high priority undertakings, particularly conferences that bring together a number of our current grantees and members of our scientific staff.

This policy seems to us consistent with The Council's status as a tax-exempt corporation and with its basic directives.

On the merits of this particular conference, the consensus is that a contribution of \$2,000.00 this conference is justifiable and we can therefore offer you support in that amount. We will forward our check to Dr. Alexander Cruickshank with a copy of this letter.

We hope that you will be able to find other sources so that your total goals for making this a highly significant meeting can be attained.

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Hochett, Ph.D.  
Research Director

cc: Alexander Cruickshank  
Director, Gordon Research Conferences

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